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**Dangerous Week Ends**

To the N. Y. Herald Tribune:

Does all government business have to come to a halt every week end?

This past week end President Kennedy was in Florida. Vice-President Johnson was in Minneapolis and Secretary of State Rusk was in Geneva for the conference. Attorney General Robert Kennedy was also in Florida.

When the U-2 incident happened, I understand that confusion reigned. Eisenhower was difficult to reach and the State Department and Allen Dulles were left holding the bag.

The long week end is not limited to the U. S. A. but is also common practice among our Allies. I have read articles of several of our experts who expressed the opinion that the Berlin wall might have been stopped at its inception had not President de Gaulle retired to the country, Prime Minister Macmillan gone off shooting in Scotland and President Kennedy been away at one of his residences.

Wouldn't it be possible for the heads of the Allied governments to arrange for one of them to be given authority and to remain close to the seat of government in case of an emergency—such as a sneak attack? Surely Khrushchev knows the habits of the decadent capitalists."

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